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## Local and General.

Aunger & Shute, dental parlors, upstairs over Morris & Taylor's hardware store.

For two weeks past Sunny Alberta has given us her prettiest smile. Sleighing is almost gone.

A basket social will be held in the Iowalta school house on Friday, March 5th. A good program is being prepared. Ladies to furnish baskets. All are invited.

The Lacombe Brick Company are shipping a car load of their fine brick out the east line this week. The last kiln burned have turned out to be the best ever burned in Alberta.

Public Sale—Thos. Rainier, 7 miles south-west of Rimbey, will sell stock, poultry, implements, household goods, etc., by public auction, on Wednesday March 3.—Col. A. H. Garries Auctioneer.

Miss Alma Garland left Monday for Red Deer. On Friday night last she was tendered a farewell reception by the young people of the Methodist church, at the residence of H. M. Trimble. On March 3rd Miss Garland is to be married to H. South, formerly of Lacombe.

### Nedal Contest.

A Demonst Silver Medal Oratorical contest will be given in the Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening March 2nd at eight o'clock. There will also be a contest in instrumental music for a silver medal. A class of eight pupils are being trained to contest for the oratorical medal and also a class is being trained in instrumental music for the musical contest. This should be interesting to all and a good crowd is expected. Admission, adults 25 cents, children 10 cents. This contest is under the auspices of the W. O. T. U.

### Hockey Final.

The final hockey game on Wednesday night between Strathcona and Lacombe, for the amateur championship of Alberta, was a fast game, but the northern boys proved just a little too much for the Lacombe team. The official score was 8 to 4, but Lacombe shot two goals that the umpire failed to announce, so the score should have been 8 to 6.

The large crowd in attendance were well repaid for the support given the local team, as the game was good, fast, clean hockey. While we all regret that the boys failed to win the trophy, yet we can congratulate them on putting up a good effort to win, and after all, "the game's the thing."

The Lacombe boys have earned and received the support of the town this season and we wish them better success in next year's finals.

### Birth

GORDON—At the Methodist parsonage, Strathcona, on Friday, February 19, to Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gordon, a daughter.

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### SHORT COURSE IN AGRICULTURE.

The Provincial Department of Agriculture will conduct a "Short Course in Agriculture" at Lacombe, beginning on 1st and ending on 13th March.

The course is absolutely free to all wishing to attend, and offers an exceptional opportunity to farmers and their sons, as the Government's full corps of Lecturers will be in charge. The fine new buildings of the Lacombe Agricultural Society, and those of the Dominion Experimental Farm, immediately adjoining, will be utilized. In addition to these, the Lacombe Board of Trade has secured one of the Lacombe school buildings, containing four large class rooms, fully seated and heated, and centrally situated. This will be used as a Lecture Room.

Our citizens intend doing everything possible to secure the comfort and convenience of attending students at moderate cost to them. To this end, they have arranged for good board and lodging for all comers, at rates of \$4.50 and \$5.00 per week for the class term. These rates are guaranteed. It will, however, be of material assistance in this matter if intending students will forward their names to the Secretary of the Lacombe Board of Trade some days in advance. For the benefit of students from a distance, a railway return rate of single fare to and from Lacombe, has been secured. To obtain this it is necessary that students should buy a one way ticket from their starting point to Lacombe, and when doing so, obtain from the Ticket Agent a "Standard Certificate." When signed by the Secretary of the Lacombe Board of Trade, this certificate will be exchanged at Lacombe for a return ticket free of charge.

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We believe that the good work done by the Department in establishing this class is of the highest value to the farming community, and therefore deserving of the heartiest co-operation and assistance of every organization and individual interested in the welfare of this Province. This assistance can best be given by securing the fullest possible attendance and, to this end, Lacombe proposes to do its part in securing to students cheap rates and comfortable quarters.

It is hoped that Agricultural Societies and Boards of Trade throughout the Province will join heartily in working for the success of the class. Secretaries of these organizations are invited to correspond with the Lacombe Board of Trade in regard to it and such communications are assured of prompt attention.

### PROGRAMME

Mar. 1st	9.30 to 11	Grain Judging
	11 to 12	Noxious Weeds
	1.30 to 3	Stock Judging
	3 to 4	" "
Mar. 2nd	9.30 to 10.30	Identification of Weeds
	10.30 to 12	Grain Judging
	1.30 to 3	Stock Judging

Mar. 3rd	3 to 4	Stock Breeding
	9.30 to 11	Grading Grain
	11 to 12	Formation of soils
	1.30 to 3	Stock Judging
	3 to 4	Veterinary Work
Mar. 4th	9.30 to 10.30	Poultry
	10.30 to 12	Grain Judging
	1.30 to 3	Stock Judging
	3 to 4	Veterinary Work
Mar. 5th	9.30 to 10.30	Poultry
	10.30 to 12	Grading of Grain
	1.30 to 3	Stock Judging
	3 to 4	Stock Breeding
Mar. 6th	9.30 to 10.30	Dairying
	10.30 to 12	Grain Judging
	1.30 to 3	Stock Judging
	3 to 4	Horticulture
Mar. 8th	9.30 to 10.30	Identification of Noxious Weeds
	10.30 to 12	Grain Judging
	1.30 to 2.30	Stock Judging
	2.30 to 4	" "
Mar. 9th	9.30 to 10.30	Identification of Nox. weed seeds
	10.30 to 12	Grass and Clover
	1.30 to 2.30	Dairying
	2.30 to 4	Stock Judging
	8.30 p.m.	Lantern Slides
Mar. 10th	9.30 to 10.30	Poultry
	10.30 to 12	Grain Judging
	1.30 to 2.30	Dairying
	2.30 to 4	Stock Judging
Mar. 11th	2.30 to 10.30	Poultry
	10.30 to 12	Soil Cultivation
	1.30 to 2.30	Dairying
	2.30 to 4	Stock Judging
Mar. 12th	9.30 to 10.30	Forestry
	10.30 to 12	Grain Judging
	1.30 to 2.30	Dairying
	2.30 to 4	Stock Judging
	8.30 p.m.	Lantern Slides
Mar. 13th	9.30 to 10.30	Forestry
	10.30 to 12	Dairying
	1.30 to 2.30	Grading of Grain
	2.30 to 4	Stock Judging

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And I make this solemn declaration knowing it has the same force and effect as if made under oath under the terms of the Canadian Evidence Act of 1893.

C. E. KIMBALL.

Declared before me at Montreal, this 18th day of November, 1908.

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## WEEK IN PARLIAMENT

**Marine Dismissals.**—Civil Service Salaries. Repatriation. Savings Bank Rates. Quebec Bridge Finance. Intercolonial Negotiations. Election Promises Broken. An Unprofitable Mint. A Startling Increase in Debt and Expenditure.

Ottawa, Feb. 13th.—For the most of this week the House has been in supply or engaged on small departmental bills and routine business. The minister of finance was still absent. Papers regarding the waterways treaty are still withheld. No official announcement has been made of government action in consequence of Judge Cassels' report, but it is given out to the government press that J. F. Fraser, commissioner of Lights, and Commander Spain, will leave the service. It is not yet intimated when the minister of marine, under whose management these inequities occurred, is to be retired.

### The Globe and Sir Fred.

A kind of notice to quit has been served on the minister of militia by the chief organ of the government. The Toronto Globe sharply denounces the policy disclosed in the estimates, under which salaries, allowances and expenses of the headquarters staff are greatly increased, while the appropriations for drill is cut down. The civil service commission reflected contemptuously on the top-heavy militia system, and thus called out a two hours' flow of abuse from Sir Fred. Borden, who at a late hour one night expended a picturesque assortment of violent epithets upon Mr. Courtney and his associates. Now the Globe is following Mr. Courtney's lead, and Sir Fred. has another chance to test his supply of vituperative adjectives.

### This is Reform.

By questions in the House and motions for returns, Mr. Foster and other members are obtaining records of changes in the Civil Service, between the time the Civil Service Act was passed and the date when it came into force. There was an understanding amounting to a promise by the government, when the Act was amended so that it would not come into force until September, that no changes would be made in the meantime, and that the commissioners would have a free hand to arrange the service according to their interpretation of the law.

But now it appears that scores of new appointments were made in the interval to temporary staff so called, and hundreds of salaries were increased in this "temporary" list, and that these changes were made down to the very end of August. In one department there were arbitrary increases of salary in addition to the regular \$50 raise, to more than two hundred clerks, nearly all of them becoming effective on the week before the Civil Service Act came into operation.

There were about fifty new appointments in the same department of which thirty were made on the 27th and 28th of August. All the persons so appointed had a salary agreed upon, yet come in for the \$50 increase which was bargained for a week before the election, but was dated back to the 1st of September. Scores of clerks drew the salary at which they were appointed only three days, and then get the \$50 in addition, without respect to ability or their own character or the character of their work.

All these hundreds of clerks who were taken in on the "temporary" staff without examination, are by the Civil Service Act transferred to the inside regular classified service. Thus they not only escape the competitive examination which the new act makes necessary, but have also got clear of the qualifying examination which was required under the old law.

### The Question of Repatriation.

Dr. Paquet, the Conservative member for L'Islet, raised an important question on Wednesday. He was supported by Mr. Monk and Mr. Nantel, and all pointed out that while the country had been spending millions in bonuses and other assistance to immigration from European countries, while it has brought thousands of Doukhobors at great expense, and has permitted large immigrations of Orientals, little or nothing has been done to restore to Canada native-born Canadians who have gone to the States, or to bring back their children to the country of their ancestors. The cities and towns of New England are prospering through the labors and activities of French-Canadians who have left their farms and homes in Quebec, and whose services are greatly needed to develop the industries and resources of the Dominion. The Liberal party no longer talks of the exodus, but it still exists, and there are still many closed houses in the rural districts of Quebec, some of them in the counties represented by ministers. Mr. Monk explained to Brodeur that the County of Rouville has its share of deserted homesteads which ought to be re-occupied. Dr. Paquet showed the department of immigration many ways in which it might busy itself in bringing back to Canada some of the hundreds of thousands who belong here, instead of scouring the universe for alien races, some of whom can never be assimilated.

### Outside Creditors Preferred.

Replying to Mr. Sharpe of North Ontario, the acting minister of finance states that the government is paying three per cent interest to the people of Canada on \$58,863,647.20 deposited in the government savings banks.

To other money lenders the government is paying on loans recently made or extended four per cent on \$5,500,000 borrowed in 1907, and on \$7,000,000 borrowed in 1908, and on \$5,000,000 borrowed this month.

The government is also paying three and a half per cent on much larger sums borrowed in February and October last year, three and three-quarters per cent on amounts borrowed in 1908 and 1909. There is another loan of \$12,000,000 at three and two-thirds per cent.

All these loans cost large sums for commissions and brokerage.

Depositors in the government savings banks would get \$600,000 a year more if they were treated as well as money lenders abroad.

### A Reasonable Suggestion.

Postage on drop letters was formerly one cent except where the letters were delivered by carriers, when it was two cents. Last year the Post Office Department made the rate one cent for drop letters delivered by carriers. Mr. Henderson of Halton tried on Tuesday to persuade the Postmaster General that if he delivered letters by carrier for one cent, the rate should be only half a cent in places where the people go and get them. The minister declines to make the change.

### A Money Making Failure.

The people who would have made most out of the Quebec Bridge, if it had not fallen down, were the original stockholders who arranged to borrow most of the cost of the work on government guarantees. They bungled the job and their bridge fell down, and they might be expected to suffer some loss. As the government has arranged it the people of Canada bear all the loss and the shareholders make good profits. The government has now relieved them of all liability, which was partly promotion expenses, and has also paid them interest at six per cent from the start, with ten per cent bonus, and has allowed their directors and president to retain the large amounts paid them for salaries. Ex-Premier Parent and his associates have therefore an excellent investment in the bridge that lies at the bottom of the St. Lawrence.

### Intercolonial Negotiations.

On Tuesday of last week Mr. Borden asked whether the government had received a proposal for the sale or lease of the Intercolonial. The minister replied: "a proposition was received by the minister of Railways, but it was marked private, and was not considered by the government."

Later, after much urging, the minister brought down the papers, showing that the C. P. R. Company had two years ago written letters to the government, making the proposal for the joint use by the company for local and through traffic, of the government railway from St. John to Halifax. The Intercolonial chief engineer prepared a financial statement of the cost of the road and the amount of traffic on it. The opinion of the department was taken as to whether a lease could be made without interfering with previous contracts. Emerson, then minister of railways, informed Sir Thomas Shaughnessy that the department was willing to discuss the question and after Emerson resigned, Fielding, as acting minister, confirmed the statement, suggesting that the Intercolonial and C. P. R. officers should meet to discuss terms. Fielding himself proposed conditions. Representatives were appointed and the conference was held, but the matter stood over till last July. Then the C. P. R. president again made the proposal of a somewhat definite character. In the negotiations of June, 1907, the minister of railways, the general manager and the traffic manager of the Intercolonial took part on one side, and the president and one of the vice-presidents of the

C. P. R. on the other, and the whole question of terms and conditions was discussed.

Thus bargaining went a good deal farther than the minister's answer made it appear.

### Not at Present.

"It is not the intention of the government to proceed with this work at present." This is the stock answer which Pugsley is giving to numerous questions put to him concerning public works for which money was voted in the election estimates of last year. On February 3rd the minister gave this reply as to two wharves in Digby county, which would have cost \$50,000, and both of which were promised before the elections. On February 10th he admitted that out of one list of seven works in Guysboro county, for which money was voted, six were never touched and only one-third of the vote was expended on the other. Pugsley now states that the government has "under consideration" whether to proceed with the work this year. There was a similar reply with respect to the Truro passenger building promised last year, and placed in the estimates. Other provinces fared the same as Nova Scotia, but this province is mentioned as the scene of the finance minister's campaign operations.

### Worse and Worse.

The financial returns for January brings the record for the fiscal year to the end of the tenth month. Here are the main facts:

Revenue for 10 months	\$68,937,636
Revenue same months last year	81,024,272
Decrease	\$12,086,636
Current expenditure	\$63,041,215
Current expenditure same months last year	56,332,534
Increase	\$6,708,681
Capital expenditure	\$36,815,549
Capital expenditure last year	22,245,499
Increase	\$14,570,050

Total increase of expenditure for ten months	\$21,278,731
Net debt Jan. 31, 1909	\$308,226,027
Net debt Jan. 31, 1908	\$259,504,613
Increase in 12 months	\$48,721,414

This month is notable. It marks the passing of the three hundred million mark in the net debt. The increase of debt last month was \$16,652,260, but it is explained that six millions of this was caused by the government placing the Quebec bridge bonds among direct liabilities and in capital expenditure. This was formerly a charge against Ex-Premier Parent's company. The government has bought the enterprise and the capital charge is represented by the tangled mass of iron on the bottom of the St. Lawrence.

### Costly Coining.

A return brought down Friday shows the extent of the operations of the Canadian branch of the royal mint for the last calendar year. The mint coined the following money, besides a few sovereigns made for a Larder Lake company: Silver coins, face value... \$813,338 Bronze coins, face value... 22,280 This coining would have cost at the price formerly paid by Canada to the mint in England: Silver, 3 per cent... \$9,400 Bronze, 10 per cent... 2,329

Total... \$11,729 This would about pay the salaries of the mint (\$5,353), the superintendent (\$3,283), and the chief clerk (\$2,929), who together re-

ceive \$11,658. It is not sufficient to pay the interest on the cost of the building where the work is done, and is three thousand dollars less than the amounts paid in salaries at the mint in the first three months of the year.

Another member of parliament appears to be in sight of office. Judge McLennan is resigning from the Supreme Court bench, and it is believed that Hon. R. F. Sutherland, ex-Speaker, will take his place.

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London, Feb. 22.—A despatch from O. says to a news bureau here reports that more than a hundred lives have been lost in hilzards in southwestern Russia during the last three days.

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At 10 o'clock tonight the streets are in the hands of the mob. Three citizens have been shot and wounded by bricks. As many as half a hundred have been beaten and wounded, their houses have been wrecked, and at this hour the lights of five fires can be seen in the Greek section of the town, all set by the mob. At the same hour a conflict has just been reported from the Indian Hill district of the town, where 200 Greeks are making a stand against 500 rioters.

Three petitions were circulated calling a mass meeting for Sunday afternoon to protest against the Greeks and with the avowed purpose of routing the Greeks from the city. At the appointed time this afternoon 10,000 men, mostly packing-house workers, thronged the streets. Following the meeting, they advanced upon the Greeks' quarters. All Sunday morning Greeks were leaving the city, but hundreds refused to be driven out, and prepared for trouble.

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**Rod and Gun for February.**  
Varied in its contents, but redolent throughout of the many delights of the Canadian Winter, the February number of "Rod and Gun and Motor Sports in Canada," published by W. J. Taylor, Woodstock, Ont., brings with it the breeziness attached to this particular season of the year. The record of two snowshoe tramp, an Indian tale of a spoon race on ice, the story of a winter in Northern Ontario and an article on Snow Blindness by Martin Hunter, an ex-Hudson Bay Factor, show how many sided are the beauties of the Canadian winter and how thoroughly the inhabitants of the Dominion appreciate and enjoy them. A fine illustrated account of the Qualification Club of Mt. Hermit in connection with the last meeting of the Alpine Club of Canada, is contributed by Mr. D. B. Taylor, who has been touring the west as representative of the magazine since that event. It is evident from this article that the spirit of the mountains enkindles the writer and made him an enthusiast.

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## The Winning of Edmonia

By JANET CHRISTINE STEPHENS.  
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There was nothing of the knight errant about Percival Bousier. In the thoughts of Edmonia Turner, a thought which invariably formed the crowning background to Percival's waking hours, he was discouragingly and modestly ineffective. She had once stated succinctly, as was Edmonia's way, that the only thing about him that remotely suggested standing up for itself was the cockle at the back of a square and otherwise treacherously groomed head. The subject of this rather doubtful approval was secretly encouraged in the belief that the cockle indicated an aggressive spirit which seemed to be the heroic attribute in the imagination of Edmonia's set.

Edmonia's faintly appreciative remark had been inspired in her mother's attic during the rummaging of a rain bound house party, when, upon the discovery of an ancient coat of mail, Percival had pulled it out from under the eaves and had fallen speedily to calculate the value of the chain discharges it would have made for Mrs. Turner's carefully ordered kitchen.

This was too much for Edmonia. A man who could estimate the value of the fabric of romance must be lacking in the most rudimentary instincts of chivalry. It occurred for naught with her that Percival Bousier was training a business ability that made his father proud every day or that she had never had a rival in his loyal devotion to her.

She dreamed of the clash of armor and the risks of sword and tunic, a knight who slung his sword and armor for her sake and rescue her, if need be, from a tyrant's might. In the free wholeness of American society the great knight of romance and, to do Edmonia justice she really did care a great deal for Percival's allegiance, only she desired a more daring proof.

It was therefore incumbent upon this thoroughly consistent young lady that she steel her heart against the pleasing picture which a tall, broad, shaggy, gray clad figure, bat off and light hair tossing in the breeze, made appearing a morning sky on the first day of one of his erratic autumnal visits near her country home.

She accordingly let her diadems glaze down upon his offensively rosy cheek and ignored his unaffected stare of astonishment at her modern equipment, a brilliantly red automobile at a standstill upon the country road.

"What, Mr. Bousier," he greeted her when within speaking distance of where she sat in the crimson rumber. "Armed cap-a-pie I feel! Is the sword drawn?"

Edmonia smiled tolerantly and gave him her hand. "But why? Hagar so far from the paternal castle? Has thy gentle paltry gone lame?"

Edmonia glanced suggestively back along the highway. "I'm waiting for a friend," she said with conventional politeness. The dusty road stretched in two long, undulating lines in either direction. No one was in sight and Edmonia abandoned its quest and returned respectfully to the crimson rumber. "Could I," he asked anxiously, "figure in that capacity?"

She reddened in turn, then scanned him critically. "Perhaps," she was still rather doubtful of his capabilities. Mentally scanning an inconceivable devotion to his business which had made him hitherto ignore the automobile craze, she flattened himself out after the manner of the ancient automobiler under her car and could his despair to her tongue.

It was had enough not to be romantic, but not to be even useful was unbearable. He had not the slightest idea of how to start the machine. He crawled out from under the machine and mounted to the driver's seat.

Her sudden accession of trust, inspired by his businesslike manner, prompted him to his best endeavor. He made a great show of moving bridle, tightening useless screws and peering into the machine while she scanned the scenery.

Whatever he finally did to that automobile to start it Percival does not know. Suddenly it slid out of the shade into the road like a bird from under his hand. "Ah," he cried, with an assurance that he was far from feeling, "I thought so!"

He held a trembling hand upon the wheel and awaiting a discreet question at regular intervals. They were now gliding along between hedgerows of gorgeous autumn color, like a beam to feel more at ease. Edmonia hummed a little thing as old as it was sweet.

The rose that all are praising is not the rose for me. He looked at her and in that look forgot his new responsibility. She was gazing steadily down the dusty road, a little smile upon her lips, as though she would see the knight of her dreams in plumed helmet and shining armor riding to her rescue.

"He couldn't catch me," said Percival in response to her thought. She started and looked with more interest at her companion. He said spoken in the confidence that is born of ignorance.

see the rose for me, sure, Ted. You must say you will marry me this time," he ended, with an air of desperation, "or I'll—"

The threat was not completed. In the earnestness of his plea Percival had forgotten that he was running an automobile for the first time in his life. They were now in a tremendous speed and every instant gathering momentum. Edmonia gripped him as they lurched around a curve and bounded over a culvert.

"Hang on!" yelled Percival as they approached a slight descent. In his clumsy efforts to control the machine he inadvertently put on more speed.

"What are you doing?" screamed Edmonia. "Stop! Why, you are running away with me!" she laughed tremulously.

"Why not?" he shouted wildly, as she thought, recklessly. The idea of stopping was a delicious one to Percival, but one which he felt that he must abandon.

The roadside of fireweed and golden rod, the first of the autumn flames, flared from under his wheels as they passed farmhouses at a rate of speed that made the occupants run out of doors to see what was going on.

Edmonia now tried to expostulate with her mad cavalier. But Percival said nothing to her almost fearful appeal. His whole mind was concentrated on keeping the thing within the limits of the road.

"Basta Locust!" he yelled breathlessly as they grazed a watering tub. Edmonia moaned. "You are crazy!" he cried. "Let's go home! Oh, take me home!"

"Home!" Percival groaned, took the passionately between his teeth. "You will be lucky if you ever see home again. We shall never get home."

Edmonia received this new demonstration as the exclamation of a captor and commanded and implored by turn. But he did not at once diminish his speed. He knew now that Edmonia had not realized his impotence. He put the machine into a third gear and down the other side. Edmonia was clinging to him with wild promises.

He brought the car carefully to a standstill and turned it to the ground. Edmonia was sobbing into her handkerchief. He hoped he was accepting the role of victorious knight modestly, but the iron was hot.

"Ted," he cried, "you've got to keep your promise, you know. I'm not much of a knight, and I don't know how to run."

His unsuspected confession was interrupted for the second time as she suddenly, to his astonishment, smiled up at him through her tears.

"I never was driven like that in my life," she remarked, with pride. "But—"

Edmonia refused to continue in the car, so they walked on to the nearest town, where the minister's free was the first of a series of more mundane changes which punctuated their homeward journey to the boggy.

But in his new job, which was only enhanced by pecuniary interludes with the wrathful owners of slaughtered hens, the terrible miseries of an injured dog and damages due to the recovery of errand horses, Percival made it a triumphal journey.

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There's a lot of gladness going, but many of us are blind to it. What we want is to take life like a healthy child and find enjoyment in simple things. We can cultivate our every side until it takes the zest from everything.

What if we haven't an overabundant pocketbook? Need we hang down the corners of our mouths when there are health and the outdoors and love to make for gladness? Does it come easier to look on the bright side of the pose of misfortune become your natural state? Forget it and take to grinning.

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Without bloodshed, or even military measures, the country has been civilized and developed. In the majority of the districts offenses against human life is rare, and old customs are being dropped. Even in the most unevolved districts, the natives are acquiring an appreciation of the justice administered through the native courts which have been established.

Altogether a remarkable transformation has been brought about in the life of the natives, and they are generally able to give evidence against their enemies, and they incline whenever possible to settle their disputes peacefully. Their power, however, and their persistent attempts to spread evil reports about the natives, are being steadily undermined, and the work of progress is going rapidly forward.

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But there is more in it than meets the eye. The electric cloth is made of each candlestick is an almost invisible wire with a tiny pronged end, which is inserted into the hole in the table-cloth and as it touches the cloth the electric candles are lighted.

When the candles are placed, as soon as the prong touches the electric cloth a brilliant light is thrown forth.

This magical cloth can only be a luxury at present, but, judging from the present state of the world, it may be the means of hostesses who do not possess princely incomes before very long.

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No other city links the past with the present as London does. We gaze upon its historic Tower, in turn fortress, palace, prison and museum—venerated as an ancient relic in the dark days called the Middle Ages, and averting our gaze for a moment see the Tower Bridge, a grand example of modern engineering skill which almost touches it.

London has numerous and splendid parks, hundreds of stately mansions (some of them as Stafford House and Grosvenor House, of unsurpassed magnificence), thousands of well-appointed houses, and hundreds of modern mansions, houses irregular in shape and continually expanding, no one can say precisely where the London of to-day begins or ends.

**A Fastidious Deadhead.**

Mr. Albert Chevalier, the London comedian, used to tell the following story against himself. It happened when he was touring in the provinces. The stage-door keeper of one of the theatres in the town went to Mr. Chevalier's brother, Mr. Engle, with a request for a couple of seats for that evening's performance.

"With pleasure," was the reply. "But I don't want 'em for myself," the comedian explained. "I've seed 'em. It's the missus that wants 'em. Like all the women, she wants to say she's seed 'em." "That will be all right," replied Mr. Engle. "You send her word, and I'll send her the seats."

"Thank you, sir," replied the man. He drew a step nearer, put his hand to his mouth and coughed confidentially. "Don't worry about the places. Put 'em anywhere, but put 'em near the door so that she can get out easy in case she don't like 'em."

**First Glimpse of the World.**

William Edgewood Clay, a Welshman (Eng.) organist, who has been totally blind since he was 18 months old, is now 26 years of age. He can now distinguish his parents, and is looking forward to the time when he will be able to learn to read and write.

**Relic of George III.**

A loving cup which has just been sold by a firm of Abingdon (Eng.) auctioneers for \$1,250 was presented by George III. to a mayor of Oxford for services at the King's coronation, and the leather case in which it is still kept bears the seal of William Pitt.

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## Health Hints for the Growing Family

Other children "just grow" like Tommy and these watching from afar wonder that they survive their own ignorance and maternal neglect. Other children are so guarded, waited upon and pampered that they never learn to think for themselves, nor realize why certain things are done for the good of their health. Hate and happy in the medium wherein the mother commands and the child obeys and teaches the children how to take care of their person and their health.

"I saw my mother nothing," said a girl who had just finished her first year in college. "She never taught me anything about my personal cleanliness. All that I have learned about the care of my health and my body I have gained through watching furiously the girls I have met away from home at school. And yet my mother always had time to embroider muslin for the babies and dyes for the table."

This is a severe arraignment, but perhaps not entirely undeserved. A girl who goes out into the world, or a boy who finds himself working among well-groomed men of clean habits is very apt to feel the humiliation at his own ignorance and to claim that certain elements in his education have been neglected.

Despite the warnings of up-to-date physicians, the circulars of health officers and the writings of those interested in the public health and sanitation, the gospel of the Saturday Night Bath is still preached in many civilized households. In the large cities where bathtubs are supplied in every apartment or flat, however humble, there is absolutely no excuse for negligence of this sort. So long as the child is in the arms of the mother gives it a daily bath, but as soon as it is large enough to play around indoors and out, and thus come in contact with germs and dirt, every description, it joins the Saturday Night Bath Club. Who could follow the maternal reasoning along this line? Why does the growing, active, dirt-investing child require less baths than the baby, which spends at its time in crib or couch?

While I am not an advocate of the daily cold sponge or plunge, I do believe that a warm bath, not hot, just tepid, is first aid in the campaign for good health in the family circle. If a child is taught to take a daily bath just as he is taught to sit on his little shirt with the buttons in the front instead of the back, it will become a habit. When there is a bathroom there is no excuse for avoiding this practice and the child can be taught to bathe with dispatch and not keep other members of the family waiting. When there is no bathroom, a bath mat or piece of old soft rug, with a screen to place around the wash stand to prevent drafts and insure privacy is all that is needed to secure a quick sponge. This can be given with either a large wash rag or a sponge and tepid water.

Dentists' bills will be reduced if children are taught to clean their teeth before retiring as well as in the morning. Also to use dental floss after meals instead of sharp toothpicks. Do not imagine that it is time to train a child in the care of the teeth after the second or permanent teeth have come. By that time the child will be grounded in carelessness. If taught the importance of keeping the first teeth clean and sound he will not need much pain and humiliation in later years.

Many mothers spend hours curling and shampooing the heads of their little girls, but allow the boys to take care of their own. This is unkind discrimination, though the boy may not see it in that light. His scalp should be watched as carefully as the girl's and he should be taught how to shampoo it, working dandruff loose with the finger tips by the aid of green soap or a good shampoo. There is nothing more elegant of maternal neglect than the ring of dandruff so often seen on the school-boy's coat collar. Many boys also ruin their hair by wetting it night and morning to keep stubble from rising. This is very apt to make the hair small sour. If the hair is very dry teach the boy to rub a little olive oil or vasoline into his scalp.

Teach your children how to sit and walk correctly. If you can possibly afford it send them to a good dancing school where calisthenics and dancing lessons are combined. Here the child will learn to walk on the ball, not the heel, of the foot. Girls will learn to stand with the abdomen in and the spine erect. Girls are particularly prone to the habit of relaxing the muscles of the trunk and standing with the chest sunken and the abdomen protruding.

Watch very carefully for organic weakness and seek the cause. If your children squint or contort the face to see to an oculist. Glasses may relieve the eye strain and correct the unsightly habit. Sometimes this weakness of sight is only temporary. The child may be anemic and when strength returns by the aid of glasses the visual defect disappears.

Do not be afraid to talk to your children about the care of their bodies, and particularly about the effect of foods upon the digestive apparatus. Many serious ailments, complexion blemishes, etc., after years can be traced directly to the fact that children were not properly impressed with the evil results of constipation. Many mothers believe that it is delicate to explain to children the functions of their wonderful bodies or to preach that physical beauty is a thing to be desired, not a mere vanity. When children realize the marvelous piece of mechanism which has been entrusted to their care they will be less apt to abuse it than if they were told in an ignorance which the maternal instinct should clear up by intelligent explanations.



FIG. C-STYLISH DRESS FOR GIRL.

MID-WINTER fashions for the young people of the family follow closely the rules laid down for the dressing of their elders. The furs worn by the mother in her thirties or forties appear in miniature for the small daughter in the kindergarten and the year old babe in the nurse's arms. The Empire back or Directoire reveals of Mother's best wrap are closely followed in the development of the coat made for the girl not yet in her teens.

The same may be said of trimmings, buttons and colorings. Not in many seasons have children worn such striking hues as this year. Those reliable shades, navy blue, garnet and tobacco brown have been replaced by colorings since deemed "old," such as taupe, greys like London smoke, faded raspberry red, and even that peculiar color known as "purple and brown," known as "Cawthra." These are enlivened by touches of valiant trimmings—particularly gold. For the billion brads, frogs and tassels have quite generally replaced those of silk on very dress gowns.

A word about fur coats. These are an excellent investment in a family where there are several children for they can be handed down one size to another as the children grow. In climates where the winters are severe they are especially desirable. For the baby in short clothes who still rides in a coach, a favorite skin is coneys, which is very much like soft white rabbit skin. For a baby the pure white is of course preferable. For children of three and upward it can be dyed grey, brown or black. A very stunning combination for a girl of six is a full length loose coat of this black fur with a velvet hat showing a dash of flame color or scarlet. Pony skin and caracul cloth are also used for children, but these are as light and yet warm as the coneys skin. A fur coat for a child should be very plain without fancy brad or buttons, etc.

The navy blue chinchilla coat so long a standard cloth for school coats, recreators, etc., has been replaced this season by grey chinchilla. Broadcloths, especially those in two tone effects and heavy weights are used for general wear, while the satin finished fabrics are suitable only for the child who may have several outer garments, one of which is kept for occasions. Sensible mothers of babies in long clothes have two coats, an inner and an outer garment. The inner coat is of padded chine silk and the outer one is preferably of white corduroy which washes like linen. These coats are made with "very little" trimming, so they can be laundered and kept perfectly white. The broadcloth, cashmere, or silk coats, the latter being made generally of Ottoman silk, are trimmed with soutache braid, with perhaps a little hand embroidery or French knots. They too, must be worn over the inner quilted cloak.

Scotch hosiery of every variety are used for both boys and girls and tartans and plaids are enjoying a great vogue. In making up a plaid, bear in mind that the trimming must be very plain, either a self-toned braid or folds of plain cloth matching the predominating shade of the plaid. Using up odd bits of gay passementerie or embroidered bands on a plaid dress is a crime against good taste. There is nothing prettier for trimming a plaid dress than bands of velvet, ribbons or soutache braid.

Figure A on to-day's page represents a smart little jacket for a child from six to twelve years of age. The plainness of the upper portions and the fullness in the skirt make it an excellent coat for the child who loves outdoor exercises. The illustration shows trimmings of soutache braid and long fur, but the latter could be eliminated.

Figure B is a model suited to a younger child—from 4 to 8 years of age. This is a model of a loose coat that can be slipped on over fancy dresses. This model was seen evolved in heavy French serge in dull grey and the trimmings were of broadcloth in a lighter shade of grey and



FIG. A-WARM COAT FOR THE OUTDOOR GIRL.

girl frogs trimmed the front. It requires very little skill to make this coat, as it is cut in only two pieces.

Figure C is suitable for a smart little gown for a child from 8 to 12 years of age. It is charming in its youthfulness and is apt to be becoming to all children of that age. The gullems can be made of any washable goods or of fine tucks silk to match the color of the goods. This model is exceedingly smart made up in plaid with plain broadcloth banding about the yoke, waist band and armholes. Or it can be made in solid color, outlined with braid and laced up with bright ribbons. It is a design that appeals to the growing child, and sufficiently easy for the home sewer to manage. The sleeves at this season of the year should be made of the same material as the dress goods.

Figure D represents an infant's long coat, and the collar can be made separate and of entirely different material. Many of these long coats are made of white corduroy and the collar of heavy white lace, or the collar may be made from the muslin or trimmings with rows of satin ribbon. Figure E is a charming model for the baby's first frock. Persian lawn or long cloth or muslin are the materials used. The yoke of this dress is made in one piece so that there are no seams to rub on the baby's shoulders, and the lower frill can be omitted and the plain little dress be evolved from the same pattern.

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FIG. B-ATTRACTIVE WRAP FOR CHILD.

## Nourishing Soups—Their Value to Growing Children

YOUTH should be given to a growing child twice a day. And the soup should be rich in quality and nourishing in ingredients, not a plate of seasoned water. Good soup warms the stomach and thus makes it able to digest solid food. Many mothers argue that the children are tired of soup and will not eat it. This is often accounted for by the fact that the same stale soup is served to them week after week, and the stomach of a child demands a change just as often as that of its parents. We are giving some recipes to-day for soups that are inexpensive to make and are full of nourishment.

In boiling meat from which to get soup stock, the meat should be put in cold water, allowed to stand a little while, then heated gradually to the boiling point. Tule extracts all the juice and leaves the meat utterly tasteless. Let the stock get perfectly cold and remove the grease from the top. It is then ready for flavoring.

Chicken Soup—If you have boiled a fowl for salad or fritas, take out three cupsful of the water in which it was cooked. Put this in a porcelain pot, and add to it three slices of carrots cut in cubes or thin, one state of celery cut in small pieces, half of an onion chopped finely, six peppercorns, a bay leaf, if the flavor is liked by the family, and lastly two tablespoons of finely chopped, lean boiled ham. Let it all come to a boil gradually, simmer and then strain through a colander and add three tablespoonful of boiled rice. If this proves too rich, add a little water.

Tomato Bisque—Strain the juice from a can of tomatoes and press the tomatoes through a colander. Boil in porcelain saucepan with a pinch of soda, add to it tablespoon of butter, and a scant half cup of cracker or dry bread crumbs. At the same time in another porcelain saucepan boil one quart of milk, and when boiling on the jump turn into the tomatoes, stirring constantly until it thickens. Salt and pepper to taste and serve with hot toasted cracker.

Scotch Broth—Buy two pounds of mutton from the neck and add to it two quarts of water. Let it stand for an hour. Heat slowly and add half a cup of barley, let it boil and skim again, then simmer for an hour. Add to it half cup of chopped onion, half cup of chopped carrot, half cup of chopped turnips, and half cup of celery which have been dried for five minutes in clean dripping. Then let the entire soup simmer for three hours.

Slightly thicken with a little flour, and serve with chopped parsley on the top. (Crem. Soup—Buy one dozen very large clams, and scrub the shells, put in pan and add a little water, cover tightly and let them steam open. Remove clams from the shells and chop fine, and add one quart of water to the clam juice. Let it come to a boil and skim off the scum which will rise to the top. Add tablespoon of butter, season with pepper. In another saucepan boil one cup of milk, and just as you remove the clam soup from the fire add the milk, and let the boiled milk.

Salmon Soup—Cut up one large potato and half a large onion into very small pieces, boil in one cup of water. Add red pepper and a dash of Worcester sauce, and one quart of water. Let it come to a boil, add one cup of salmon meat and two hard boiled eggs chopped fine. Serve made in place of large and medium, with absolutely no effort towards conventional form. These more intricate the fish saw pattern is a puzzle to a young child. Neighbors now exchange picture puzzles as they once exchanged, make up or give palatine or puzzle a family circle is securing a new insight into art by its efforts to piece together fragments of the great masterpiece.

## Work and Play in Winter Evenings

Directly after Christmas test the patience and ingenuity of every young mother. In supplying entertainment for children, many factors are to be considered, relaxation and a change of occupation for the child, quiet for the elders and the inculcation of habits of industry together with thoughtfulness for others. The child is taught to find pleasure in doing for others without feeling any sense of real self-sacrifice is the child who finds happiness at home.

Girls are no longer given "stunts" of fine stitching which do not lead to definite results. Instead they are taught to make things that show and give pleasure. If a little girl wants to learn how to embroider, start her with a set of bean bags. These can be made in three sizes, from heavy denim or cretonne or linen. If the plain material is used have the bags stamped with some simple conventional design like a butterfly or large petal flower and let the little girl work with the outline stitch. A gold butterfly on blue or red denim is very effective. If cretonne is used have the flower in the center of the square and let the little sewer edge the flower with buttonhole stitch.

A pencil bag of linen with partitions for lead pencils, slate pencils, rulers, pen holders, compass, etc., can be made from heavy linen or denim bound with braid and the owner's initials done in outline stitch on the flap. The girl who makes this may want a little material in cutting her pattern to hold the different implements for the school room, but the waste is well worth the loss of a few pennies in giving the girl confidence for future work.

A very popular amusement just now is piecing together puzzle pictures. In very simple form, blocks or slip-n-pieces they were once used to entertain mere four-year-olds in the nursery, now in more complicated form

FIG. D-INFANT'S LONG COAT.



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FIG. E-SIMPLE INFANT'S SLIP.

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## LEGISLATURE PROROGUED.

### Elections Probably March 20.

The final session of the first legislature of Alberta was prorogued at 5 o'clock on Thursday evening. Next to the government's railway policy, the Redistribution Act has been of the greatest interest to the public at large. This measure was passed on the last day of the session and provides for forty-one seats in the province. Lacombe district is one of those divided, creating the new district of Stettler out of the east end.

Liberal newspapers set March 20 as the probable date of the provincial elections, though it is not yet officially announced.

### TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

Council met in regular session Tuesday evening, all members being present except the Mayor who came in later in the evening. Councillor Mobley was called to the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

A communication was read from the Agricultural Society re establishing a monthly sale in Lacombe asking the town for assistance to the extent of furnishing grounds for the purpose free. A committee was appointed to meet with the committee from the Agricultural Society to consider the matter.

The Board of Trade asked for \$300.00 granted by last year's council to the publicity committee for publicity purposes. On motion the amount was ordered paid.

Accounts to the amount of \$44.40 were presented and referred to the finance committee.

The finance committee reported, recommending payment of accounts to the amount of \$39.10. Report adopted and accounts ordered paid.

The finance committee reported that an offer had been made to purchase the recently voted debenture at par, and recommending that the offer be accepted. Report adopted.

The various standing committees brought down their estimates for the year as follows: Executive and Finance, \$4,767.02. Police, Parks and Cemetery, \$1,335.40. By-law, Relief and Health, \$1,470. Publicity and New Industries, \$250. Fire, Water and Light, \$1,731. Public Works, \$700. It was stated that the school board will probably ask for about \$10,000 this year. The chairman of the Public Works committee explained the low estimate in his department by stating that if the ratepayers desired extensive public works this year they could vote debentures for the purpose. The estimates were informally discussed and referred to the finance committee.

The bylaw relief and health committee submitted a report recommending that a bylaw be brought in to abolish closet pits in the municipality and to substitute therefor pails or boxes. The report was adopted and notice of bylaw was given.

The auditor's annual report was submitted in part.

A bylaw was introduced and passed appointing T. Clark King secretary-treasurer successor and returning officer, at a salary of \$600 per annum.

Councillor Kent inquired what

the public works committee intended to do about the large deposit of ashes which is being made at the corner of Railway and Allan streets. The public works committee asked the council for instructions in the premises, but failed to get any definite instructions.

A motion was made and carried that the council meet the school board to see if arrangements can be made whereby the town may acquire the old Nelson school grounds.

Owing to the lateness of the hour the report of Prof. Edwards re the electric light and power proposition was not taken up but was left for consideration in committee at a later date. At the present stage the council appears favorable to going in for a municipal lighting plant this year on one plan or another.

### Asks Us to Print.

To relieve the worst forms of rheumatism, take a teaspoonful of the following mixture after each meal and at bedtime:

Fluid Extract dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kurgon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces.

These harmless ingredients can be obtained from our home druggists, and are easily mixed by shaking them well in a bottle. Relief is generally felt from the first few doses.

This prescription forces the clogged up, inactive kidneys to filter and strain from the blood the poisonous waste matter and uric acid, which causes rheumatism.

As rheumatism is not only the most painful and torturous disease but dangerous to life, this simple recipe will no doubt be greatly valued by many sufferers here at home, who should at once prepare the mixture to get this relief.

It is said that a person who would take this prescription regularly, a dose or two daily, or even a few times a week, would never have serious kidney or urinary disorders or rheumatism.

Cut this out and preserve it.

Good rheumatism prescriptions which really relieve are scarce, indeed, and when you need it, you want it badly.

### Blackfalds.

The annual meeting of the shareholders and patrons of the Blackfalds creamery was held on Saturday last. About fifty farmers were present. The creamery was reported to be in a flourishing condition. A bonus of half a cent per pound was paid to the patrons and five per cent dividend to the shareholders. The outlook for the next year is brighter than ever.

Rev. Hanson, in the Norwegian language, conducted religious services in the public hall on Sunday afternoon.

There were no less than three religious services in the English language, on Sunday evening.

The concert given by local talent in the public hall, on Wednesday evening, was well attended. A collection was taken up to defray expenses.

A lecture on Abraham Lincoln will be given in the Methodist church Thursday evening. Collection in aid of church funds.

### Misery in Stomach.

Why not start now—today, and forever rid yourself of Stomach trouble and indigestion? A dieted stomach gets the blues and grumpies. Give it a good eat, then take Pape's Diapiesin to start the digestive juices working. There will be no dyspepsia or belching of gas or eructations of undigested food; no feeling like a lump of lead in the stomach or heartburn, sick headache and dizziness, and your food will not ferment and poison your breath with nauseous odors.

Pape's Diapiesin costs only 50 cents for a large case at any drug store here, and will relieve the most obstinate case of indigestion and upset stomach in five minutes.

There is nothing else better to take gas from stomach and cleanse the stomach and intestines, and besides, one triangle will digest and prepare for assimilation into the blood all your food the same as a sound, healthy stomach would do it.

When Diapiesin works, your stomach rests—gets itself in order, cleans up—and then you feel like eating when you come to the table and what you eat will do you good.

Absolute relief from all stomach misery is waiting for you as soon as you decide to begin taking Diapiesin. Tell your druggist that you want Pape's Diapiesin because you want to be thoroughly cured of indigestion.

Notice—Special sermons on The Kingdom of God by the Rev. A. J. Patstone, Rimby 11 a. m., Synagogue School 3 p. m., Potter's Creek 7 p. m., on Feb. 28th and March 14th and 28th. At Bentley 11 a. m., South Gull Lake 3 p. m., on March 7th and 21st, and April 4th. Also Lantern View Service with illustrated address, Lacombe, Wednesday, April 7th; Bentley, Thursday, April 8th, 7:30 p. m.; Rimby, Friday, April 9th, 7:30 p. m. All other appointments cancelled for above dates.

### ANALYTICAL CHEMIST TELLS OF PATENT MEDICINES

A graduate in organic chemistry who has made a study of many of the best-known patent medicines on the market, states that many have virtue, but as a rule people have to pay for a lot of unnecessary expense. The following is the recipe of a well-known secret preparation, and is known by authority to be one of the best stomach and liver tonics. It is prescribed by many of the best physicians.

This mixture cures constipation and biliousness. The recipe: Fluid Extract Canebrake, 1/2 oz.; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, 1 oz.; Fluid Extract Cascara Compound, 1 oz.; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, 5 oz. Take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime.

An eminent authority, who has made a careful and scientific study of the relative value of drugs having a specific action on the kidneys, bladder and liver, pronounces this an excellent combination.

You can buy the ingredients separately and mix at home.

Cut this formula out and save it.

The Rev. I. R. Hicks Almanac For 1900, ready Nov. 15, 1900, best ever sent out, beautiful covers in colors, fine portrait of Prof. Hicks in colors, all the old features and several new ones in the book. The best astronomical year book and the only one containing the original "Hicks Weather Forecasts." By mail 30c, on news stands 30c. One copy free with Word and Works, the best 81 Monthly in America. Discontinue on advance in quantities. Agents wanted. Word and Works P. Co., 2201 Locust Street, St. Louis, Mo. Every citizen owes it to himself, to his fellows and to Prof. Hicks to possess the "Hicks" forecasts, the only reliable.

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## CANADA'S POOR CONSUMPTIVES.

A Story more Touching than anything from the pen of the gifted Ian MacLaren.

In the current issue of the Doon or Home, published by the National Sanitarium Association, 347 King Street West, Toronto, a page is given over to letters received from the many persons from all parts of the Dominion seeking admission to the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives.

Seldom have we read anything more pathetic. Here, for example, is a letter from a physician in Oshawa, Ont., asking for the admission of a patient by the name of Morrison. He says: "I would like to urge strongly upon you the great claims of this patient. He has no home—no other dear—no one working as a farm laborer. The boy has been living with an unmarried uncle—a housekeeper—who is now coming to be dispossessed by the uncle. The boy has absolutely no place to go where he might be cared for in a comfortable care, and he can get nowhere where he is."

Another case is from Thorold, Ontario. "I am a young married man, twenty-three years of age. For several years I have been sick, but always able to keep my feet. Now I have come to the time when I cannot work, and cannot get medicine without means. My lungs are affected, and I am writing you to ask if you can send me to the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives. My young wife is here, and her parents have kindly opened their doors to her if I go away."

Just one more of the many we might quote. This is from a physician in Campbellford, Ont. He writes: "I have a patient suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis, who has been laid off work for about three months, but who has not been able to get on his feet. He has been in the hospital for a long time, but has not been able to get on his feet. He is a young man, and his family—mother, crippled father, and younger brother, but his neighbors are helping him. He has a small amount of money to help him."

We have sometimes thought that the character of Dr. McCulloch, who has been laid off in letters such as these he would be a good deal more than a patient in many parts than his Bonnie Brer Bush.

It is on behalf of cases like these, of which there are scores reaching the Secretary of the Sanitarium every week, that the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives makes its appeal to you.

This institution has not at any time, since its doors were first opened in April, 1902, refused a single patient because of the applicant being unable to pay.

Contributions may be sent to Mr. W. J. Gage, 84 Spadina Ave., Chairman of the Executive Committee, or to J. S. Robertson, Secretary-Treasurer of the National Sanitarium Association, 347 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario.

### THEIR HOPE, THE PEOPLE

Muskoka's Brave Battle for Needy Consumptives.

It is poor consolation to needy consumptives to say that the Government should make provision for the thousands who suffer and die from tuberculosis in Canada every year.

The Government should do a great deal more than they have yet dreamed of doing. But they are not doing it. The Government should do a great deal more than they have yet dreamed of doing. But they are not doing it.

As the situation is today, what would be the fate of many consumptives in Canada were it not for the Muskoka Free Hospital in Muskoka that during the past eleven years, against many odds, have cared for the earlier stages of the disease, and in the later stages, those on the advanced stages are treated.

This work in Muskoka is the result of philanthropy. From the day the first patient was admitted to the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives in April, 1902, not a single applicant has ever been refused admission because of his or her inability to pay.

The Government contribute \$1.50 per week per patient. The cost of maintenance is \$0.25 per week. The difference in the cost of maintenance of all needy patients has through these years been made up by private philanthropy.

The Secretary-Treasurer of the Association, Mr. J. S. Robertson, 347 King Street West, Toronto, writes us that with the financial depression of the past year, the funds of the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives have been so heavily overdrawn that the Association has had to use its obligations to meet.

Despite these financial worries every applicant is receiving careful consideration and patients are admitted as promptly as beds are made vacant. All through the year the institution has been maintained, not by any rich endowment, for such does not exist, but by the generous contributions of the masses of the people—the small but rather numerous.

We frankly say that we do not know, in our experience, of a more worthy and deserving charity. It is our hope that the readers of these lines will respond to the appeal that is now made for the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives.

Contributions may be sent to Mr. W. J. Gage, 84 Spadina Ave., Chairman of the Executive Committee, or to J. S. Robertson, Secretary-Treasurer of the National Sanitarium Association, 347 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario.

### Short Course in Agriculture.

Edmonton, Jan. 18.—The Department of Agriculture has been authorized to conduct a two-week's Short Course in Agriculture at Lacombe, from the 1st to 13th of March. The course is intended for farmers' sons.

A competent corps of lecturers will be in attendance for the two weeks, and the following subjects will be taken up:

1. Live Stock—(a) Judging, (b) History of Breeds, (c) Stock Breeding, (d) Feeding, Care and Management, etc.
2. General Agriculture—(a) Crops, (b) Grain Judging, (c) Soil Cultivation, (d) Studies in Weeds.
3. Dairying.
4. Poultry.
5. Forestry.
6. Veterinary Work.
7. Horticulture.

In order that the various sections of the province may be treated alike, the Agricultural Societies and Exhibition Associations have been asked to nominate two men each from their districts to attend this Course. Although only two men are to be appointed by each Association it does not mean that others will not be welcome. The Course is entirely free and all those interested in the work are requested to attend.

The Department is anxious to gain accurate information as to the number that will attend in order to secure, if possible, a rate from the railways. If any wish to take the Course, communicate with the Department respecting the matter.

### NOTICE.

All parties that dump rubbish or manure in the town limits in the future will be prosecuted according to Section 26 and 27 Bylaw No. 17 A.

L. B. MILLER, Constable. Lacombe, Jan. 28th.

## A Poor Man's Chance!

Or a good opportunity for a speculator to make money.

A 5 roomed house and small stable for the low price of \$1050. \$50 cash, balance by rent.

An 11 roomed house and stable, price \$2300. \$100 cash and balance by rent.

An 8 roomed house and large lot, price \$250 down, balance can be arranged.

Small Cottage, 4 rooms, nice lot, price \$600. Terms.

A 3 roomed cottage with stable, \$700. Terms easy.

A 7 roomed house with large barn, price \$2500. \$250 cash, balance by monthly rent.

One large cow, quiet, coming in.

One heifer, milking.

2 calves, will sell cheap or trade for a horse.

A good piano for sale.

Quarter section 8 miles from Lacombe, fenced, price \$6 an acre.

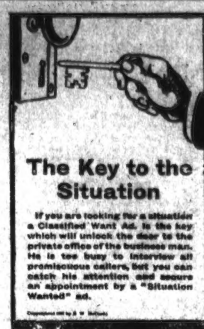
Good quarter section six miles out, well improved and cropped with fall wheat, good buildings, price if taken soon \$12 an acre.

A good stock farm, 2 miles from creamery, \$1400. Terms easy. Trade for horses and cattle.

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FOR SALE—3 Grade Bulls, rising three years. \$25 each. Enquire here.

FOR SALE—A large quantity of hay for sale or would trade hay for a good steady work horse. Inquire at this office.

ESTRAY—Came to my place on Jan. 9, a sorrel colt, with white face, about three years old. No visible brand. Owner can have same by paying for this notice and other expenses.—W. M. Cole, 26-40-28. Wessville P. O.